

**REMARKS**

The application has been amended. In this response, claims 1, 24, 63 and 86 have been amended. The viruses originally recited in the preamble of claims 1 and 24 have been moved into (a) of claims 1 and 24. Also, additional viruses belonging to the virus family *Paramyxoviridae* (Table I) and originally recited in claims 63 and 86 have been moved into claims 1 and 24. Furthermore, the claim numbering has been corrected in order to be in consecutive order.

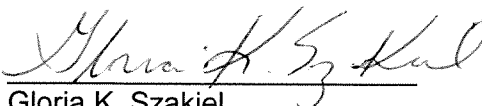
In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 11, 13, 18, 22-25, 30, 33, 35, 37, 41 and 42. It is believed that the Examiner intended to include claim 37 in Group I since it depends from claim 35, which was included in Group I. The Group I claims, as amended, are drawn to a method of freezing and lyophilizing respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), a parainfluenza virus (PIV), mumps virus, measles virus, metapneumovirus or a combination thereof. The claims of elected Group I relate to viruses belonging to the same virus family (*Paramyxoviridae*) and form a single inventive concept.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning this Response, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned agent at the telephone number give below.

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